THE HISTOR

Pericles, Prince of T

Enter Gower.

TO ſing a ſong that old was ſu
From aſhes, ancient *Gower* is c
Aſſuming mans infirmities,
To glad your eare, and pleaſe
It hath beene ſung at Feſtiual
On Ember eues, and holy-daie
And Lords and Ladies in their liues,
Haue read it for reſtoratiues:
The purchaſe is to make men glorious.
Et bonum quo Antiquius eo melius:
If you, borne in theſe latter times,
When wits more ripe, accept my Rimes;
And that to heare an old man ſing,
May to your wiſhes pleaſure bring:
I life would wiſh, and that I might
Waſte it for you like Taper-light.
This *Antioch*, then, *Antiochus* the great,
Built vp this City for his chiefeſt ſeate;
The faireſt in all *Syria*.
I tell you what mine Authors ſay:
This King vnto him tooke a Peere,
Who died, and left a female heire,
So buckſome, blithe, and full of face,